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Pinewood Gymnastics Club complete the Italian job

By **Vicki Colebeck**
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Pinewood Gymnastics Club struck gold on a recent trip to Cesenatico in Italy when they won the third leg of the Junior European Team Gymnastics Cup.

Pinewood's Panthers competed against teams from Austria, Czech Republic, Finland, Great Britain, Ireland and Italy on tumble, trampette and floor performances.

There were 12 teams competing and Pinewood's first rotation was trampette.

Their display was excellent as the team performed multiple summersaults to earn themselves the highest score of the day with 7.85.

Their next routine was tumbling and despite a couple of mistakes, they were still only 0.1 behind the defending British Champions, Portsmouth.

Their final element was the Floor and the girls knew they had to put on an exceptional routine to win the title.

It was a very close competition and Pinewood did just enough to achieve an overall score of 23.00 and beat Portsmouth by just 0.1 to take home the Junior European Team Gym Cup.

Pinewood coaches, Jeff Saunders and Mihail Runcianu, have worked tirelessly with the team to achieve this fantastic result.

The 4th and penultimate leg of the Junior European Cup will be held at Bracknell from October 16 to October 18.

So far there are provisional entries from over 14 teams from Great Britain, Italy, Austria, Czech Republic, Finland and Denmark.

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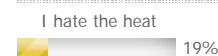
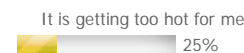
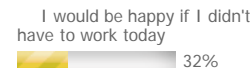
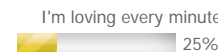
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